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SUBJ: IV PROGRAM: FY 1975 NOMINATIONS

1. EMBASSY INTENDS NOMINATE ANURA BANDARANAIKE, SON OF PRIME MINISTER BANDARANAIKE AND CHIEF ORGANISOR OF SRI LANKA FREEDOM PARTY (SLFP) YOUTH LEAGUE, FOR ONE OF ITS REGULAR FY-75 FULL GRANTS. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED INDIRECTLY THAT YOUNG BANDARANAIKE MAY BE INTERESTED IN TRAVELING TO UNITED STATES FOR STUDY TOUR AND BELIVES HE WOULD BE EXCELLENT CANDIDATE AS FUTURE POLITICAL LEADER HERE. BEFORE MAKING FORMAL NOMINATION, HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS AS TO WHETHER SUITABLE PROGAM CAN BE ARRANGED FOR HIM. ALTHOUGH HE HAS RECEIVED TOP-LEVEL TREATMENT IN VISITS TO OTHER COUNTIRES SUCH AS SOVIET UNION, CHINA, AND PAKISTAN, WE WOULD PLAN TO MAKE CLEAR THAT SIMILARLY HIGH-LEVEL MEETING MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE IN UNITED STATES. AMBASSADOR IS SEEING BANDARANAIKE NEXT TUESDAY AND MAY WISH RAISE QUESTION OF TRAVEL WITH HIM, IF APPROPRIATE. THERFORE, REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS BY OPENING OF BUSINESS COLOMBO TIME TUESDAY, SEPEMBER 10. IF GRANT IS POSSIBLE, WE WILL FORWARD BIO DATA, PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS, AND ALTERNATE CANDIDATE.

2. EMBASSY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO NOMINATE R. PREMADASA, FIRST MEMBER FOR COLOMBO CENTRAL IN NATIONAL STATE ASSEMBLY AND SECOND-RANKING MAN IN OPPOSITION UNITED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NATIONAL PARTY (UNP), FOR PARTIAL GRANT IN ADDITION

TO REGULAR FY-75 PROGRAM. PREMADASA WILL BE ATTENDING INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION MEETING IN TOKYO OCTOBER 1-11 AND WOULD BE ABLE TO TRAVEL TO UNITED STATE FOR 10-12 DAYS AFTERWARD. HE WILL HAVE OWN ROUND-THE-WORLD TICKET. MAIN PURPOSE OF VISIT WOULD BE TO STUDY AMERICAN SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT IN CONNECTION WITH CURRENT UNP EFFORTS TO DRAW UP NEW CONSITUTION AS PART OF PARTY PLATFORM FOR NEXT ELECTIONS DUE IN 1977. DRAFTING IS SCHEDULED BE COMPLETED BY END OF YEAR. AS RESULT, PREMADASA IS ANXIOUS OBSERVE U.S. SYSTEM BEFORE DOCUMENTS ARE PUT IN FINAL FORM. EMBASSY BELIEVES IT IS IN U.S. INTEREST TO PROVIDE PARTIAL GRANT TO PREMADASA. REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WILL SEND ADDITIONAL DETAILS FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT'S REPLY.

3. ALTHOUGH MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MDFA) HAS TO RAISE HANDLING OF PARTIAL GRANTS WITH MISSION, IN THIS INSTANCE WE PLAN TO INFORM RPT INFORM MDFA OF OUR INTENTION NONINAE PREMADASA FOR PARTIAL. VAN HOLLEN

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